

## Najwa Albaqami

Lecturer

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### EDUCATION

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**The University of Maryland–College Park**, Department of Communication, College Park, Maryland, United States, 2023–present, Doctoral student in Communication with a concentration in Public Relations and Strategic Communication.

**The University of Tennessee–Knoxville**, College of communication & information, Knoxville, Tennessee, United States, 2021–2023, M.S. in Communication and Information with a concentration in Public Relations.

**King Abdulaziz University**, College of Communications & Media, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 2012–2016, B.S. in Mass Communication (Public Relations).

### TEACHING

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**The University of Maryland**, College Park, United States, August 2023–Present

*Graduate Teaching Instructor*

- Teach *COMM 107 Public Speaking*
- Present collaborative and educational lectures, presentations, and practical demonstrations.
- Provide feedback on student assignments, presentations, and public speaking practice.
- Provide individualized support and mentorship to students requiring additional assistance.

*Teaching Assistant*

- *COMM 201*: Introduction to Public Relations (approx. enroll. = 75)
- Provided feedback on student assignments.
- Held office hours to advise and assist students; proctored exams.

**King Khalid University**, Abha, Saudi Arabia, May 2017–Present

*Lecturer*

- *COMM 213*: Cultural and International Communication (approx. enroll. = 59)
- *COMM 212*: Media Laws and Ethics (approx. enroll. = 42)
- *COMM 352*: Public Relations Campaigns (approx. enroll. = 53)
- *COMM 355*: Crisis Communication (approx. enroll. = 29)
- Provided feedback on student assignments.
- Held office hours to advise and assist students; proctored exams; attended staff meetings.

### RESEARCH

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Sessa, M., Aljohani, R., Busari, K., Ding, L., & **Albaqami, N.** (2024). Anniversary Journalism in Action: Comparative Analysis of Russo-Ukrainian War Coverage Across Global Newspapers. To be presented to the International Communication Division at the annual conference of Association for Education of Journalism and Mass Communication.

**The Eighth Scientific Forum for King Abdulaziz University Students**, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 2017.

*Participant in the Scientific Research Conference for Students*

- Contributed to graduation research project: "Twitter's effect on Saudis' awareness of the 2030 Vision"

## **ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEERING**

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**CCI Vice President for the Graduate Student Association (GSA)**, Knoxville, Tennessee, United States, 2022-23

**Saudi Human Resources Development Fund**, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, January 2016

*Student Volunteer*

- Organized Ayamin (The Right Hand) event to help students become volunteers.

**College Ambassador**, The University of Tennessee–Knoxville, College of Communication & Information, Knoxville, Tennessee, 2022–2023

**King Khalid University**, Abha, Saudi Arabia, April 2018–May 2019

*Student Activities Supervisor*

- Developed, implemented, and managed student activities programs.
- Organized on-campus activities, such as sports, cultural activities, workshops, and training sessions.

**The Spirit of Leadership Organization**, Jeddah, November 2015

*Student Volunteer*

- Assisted visitors of the exhibition in learning about King Fahad's history and the history of Saudi Arabia during his rule.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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**Georgetown University, English Language Center**, Washington, DC, 2020–2021

- Developed reading, writing, and research skills necessary to use English effectively in both academic and professional fields; strengthened listening, conversation, note-taking, and presentation skills, and the use of presentation software.

**Deanship of Community Service and Continuous Education**, King Abdulaziz University, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

- Training session in Public Relations and Customer Services, April 2016
- Workshop on Customer Service, November 2015

**The Spirit of Leadership Organization**, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, October 2015

- Workshop on Events Management

## **SKILLS**

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- Computer: Microsoft Office: Word, PowerPoint; Google Suite: Canvas, Google Docs, Google Drive, Google slides
- *Languages*: Arabic (native language), English (proficient in oral and written skills).